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## BECKHAM VS. BLACKBURN

Two Ambitious Political "Bs" in a Club Throwing Contest.

RIDICULE, DENUNCIATION AND DEFIANCE.

Blackburn and Beckham are clubbing heads for leadership in the Senatorial race and a merry war is on to the death. These two Senators want to succeed themselves, and says the Governor "wants to be Senator." Beckham says he is not a candidate but will do all he can to aid in defeating Blackburn.

Senator Blackburn spoke before leaving Washington for Kentucky and thuswise in part, hurled his defiance at Beckham and his machine.

"I have no hesitancy in declaring my contempt for Beckham, his methods, his machine and his conduct of party affairs. I denounce them here and will do so anywhere. They are odious. They are ruinous and unless this machine is crushed, mark you, it will wreck the Democratic party of the state. I want it to be understood now that I do not want that machine's support; I do not want its acquiescence in my re-election; I prefer its opposition; I want a seat in the senate by the will of the people or I do not want it at all. The practice of succession in state offices and the perpetuation of a machine is not Democratic, and I submit the question to all fair-minded and honest Democrats. Now Beckham wants to be senator, Hager governor. McChesney something else and so on. I say it is not Democratic, and, by the eternal, I shall reserve to the end the right to protest. The Kentucky machine, as all machines do, is growing more and more odious every day, and will continue to do so until the thing is killed."

Gov. Beckham replies at length in a like vigorous style, charging general deficiency in the work of the senior Senator during his long-term of service in the Senate, and especially characterizes Blackburn as the "advocate" of the deposed, dusky queen of the Hawaiian Islands.

Beckham's denunciation is in part as follows:

"The people of Kentucky who have learned to know Mr. Blackburn and who are accustomed to his eruptive interviews are not surprised at the inflammatory utterances in his recently published statement, nor do I care one particle about his unwarranted and absurd attack upon me. It is the wail and last appeal of a discredited man who sees the hand-writing upon the wall and who now begins to realize that a patient and long suffering constituency will not again dishonor itself by sending him back to the United States Senate."

"He now recognizes that there is a formidable and honorable opposition to him in the State, and that the good people of Kentucky will, this time, in his case, draw a proper distinction between voice and sense, volubility and statesmanship. For over thirty years he has been the meretricious beneficiary of popular indulgence as a member in the two houses of Congress, and I challenge anyone in Kentucky or elsewhere to point to a single act of public service in all that time he has rendered to his State, his country, or his party."

QUEEN LIL'S ADVOCATE.

"Since his present term began there has been but one question before the Federal Senate upon which this distinguished Senator has attracted any public notice through the press, and that has been his superb leadership and sleepless vigilance in the advocacy of the cause of Queen Liliuokalani, the ducky and deposed ruler of the Hawaiian Islands, who blushing seeks, with Senator Blackburn as her chivalric champion, the modest sum of \$200,000 from the government to soothe her wounded feelings over the loss of her throne and to enable her, if possible, by the practice of rigid economy and frugality, to eke out a wretched existence with this small pittance. Quite gallantly and heroically has the senior Senator from Kentucky, with his knightly lance, espoused the cause of this throneless damsel, and I have no doubt that his sympathies were enlisted and his zeal stimulated by the narration to him of the atrocious methods with which the Hawaiian "machine" ousted the deposed Queen Lil from her island throne. This has been about the only service we have heard of his rendering to his constituency since we last succeeded in getting him back to the Senate after a long and hard fight."

GEORGE LYNN.

The Popular Real Estate Man of Madisonville, Purchases Morton's Theatre Will Take Charge February 1st.

George R. Lynn, one of the most popular business men of Madisonville, and the pioneer real estate man of that city, has purchased for a cash consideration the beautiful structure known as Morton's Theatre. The price paid has not been made public but is thought to be considerably below first cost. Mr. Lynn in conversation with a representative of THE BEE Monday said that no effort would be spared to maintain the high-class reputation this theatre now enjoys and has held under the efficient management of its founder. Mr. Lynn will take charge of this property on February 1st and will retain Mr. Carl Hibbs, who has successfully managed the theatre under Mr. Morton, in his present position. Knowing Mr. Lynn as we do and being conversant with his capability along other lines we feel sure he will make a success of this business venture and gladly recommend him to the public, knowing full well that nothing he can do will be left undone for the comfort and enjoyment of his patrons. It may be well along this line to add that Morton's Theatre is one of the most modern in this section of the country, is steam heated and equipped with all the latest conveniences.

Low Price for Kentucky Oil.

Barbourville, Ky., Jan. 16.—It is claimed that the present low selling price of crude oil is resulting in a cessation of operations in some of the oil fields of this State. The last cut, which is the fourth during the past few weeks, lowers the price of Somerset, the light grade of oil, to 83 cents per barrel; while Ragland oil, the Standard's own production, was lowered to 55 cents per barrel. A year ago oil was selling for over \$1.25 per barrel.

The most powerful dredge in the world is that used by the Susquehanna Iron Co. at Buffalo to dig in an inland harbor through solid rock.

## BRODIE L. DUKE,

The Southern Millionaire, Now Occupies the Center of the Stage.

TOM LAWSON AND CASSIE CHADWICK NOT IN IT.

The latest news sensation, and one that is dividing interest with the Chadwick case and Lawson's "frenzied finance" exposures, is the Duke affair. A Hopkinsville boy, William G. Bramham, son of Prof. and Mrs. William G. Bramham, is conspicuous in the matter in an entirely creditable way by reason of his efforts to save his friend and employer from a lunatic asylum.

Brodie L. Duke, the North Carolina millionaire, and a half brother of James L. Duke, the noted president of the American Tobacco Company, was sent a few days ago to an asylum for the insane in Brooklyn by his children, following his marriage to Mrs. Alice Webb, a promoter, with what seems to be rather shady financial career.

On a writ of habeas corpus obtained by his secretary, Mr. Bramham, of Durham, N. C., the millionaire was brought in to the supreme court at Brooklyn. Counsel for Mr. Bramham argued for an immediate examination of Mr. Duke in court to determine whether or not he was insane. This was objected to by Delancey Nicoll, who he said represented members of Mr. Duke's family and who insisted that Mr. Duke's sanity should be determined by a commission to be appointed by the court.

New York, Jan. 16.—After Mrs. Brodie L. Duke had suddenly disappeared from the Union Square Hotel in this city today a woman who said she was Mrs. Duke called up that hotel telephone and notified the management that she had left New York City. She refused to say where she was staying, but declared that she would send for her baggage, which had been left at the hotel.

When asked why she had left the hotel so suddenly she declared "she had been hounded to death and wanted to get away."

Mrs. Duke has been indicted in Texas on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses, and a warrant for her arrest is reported to be in the mails on the way to New York.

New Passenger Depot for the L. & N. at New Orleans.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 16.—It can be announced from a source of absolute authority that within the next few days the Louisville and Nashville Railroad will close a contract with the New Orleans Terminal Company for the use of the passenger depot which is to be built at Canal and Basin streets within the next few months. Several months ago Mr. L. S. Berg, President of the New Orleans Terminal Company, stated that he was extremely anxious to have the Louisville and Nashville use the depot which was to be built and to abandon its present station at the head of Canal street. Within a few days after this interview negotiations looking toward this end were opened by Mr. Berg and the local officials of the Louisville and Nashville, and yesterday they reached a point where it can be positively stated that there is no doubt that the Louisville and Nashville is to be one of the roads which are to use the new station at Canal and Basin streets.

WHAT ONE COON DID

Hunter Broke His Arm and Nearly Drowned in Capturing the Beast.

Evansville, Ind., Jan. 17.—Edgar Igleheart, living on the banks of Panther Creek, in Kentucky, across the river from here, went to his barn today and noticed coon tracks in the snow. He tracked the animal to a hole in the creek bank and began digging for it. He was joined by Christian Heady, and after two hours of working they succeeded in reaching the coon. Heady got him by the tail and jerked him out of the hole, slinging him as he did so. The animal struck Igleheart squarely in the face and he staggered backward and fell in the creek. His left arm was broken by striking a limb, and Igleheart was almost drowned before he was pulled from the icy stream.

Mrs. Chatten Entertains.

Mrs. E. A. Chatten entertained a number of her friends Saturday night in her usual handsome style. About forty guests were present and a fierce contest was waged between the ladies and gentlemen as to which side held the supremacy in the seductive game of flinch. After a long struggle lasting over two hours during which time ten games were played it was found that the ladies were slightly in the lead, the score being for the ladies 108 and for the gentlemen 68. Some excuse should be made for the inferior playing of the gentlemen however, as the majority of them were playing against their wives and were consequently more or less nervous. After the games were finished refreshments consisting of brick cream, angel food and salted almonds were served. The colors were red and green and were effectively carried out in every particular. The house was decorated in an artistic manner and lighted with red and green candles in like colored holders, the tally cards and souvenir hearts were also of the same color. It was in fact one of the social successes of the season and was so voted by the entire party.

\$25,000 Judgment.

Paducah, Ky., Jan. 17.—A verdict for \$24,000 damages was today awarded in the Circuit Court here to L. Stevenson, administrator for Lucy Stevenson, who was killed at Dawson by being knocked from a trestle two years ago. The case has been buffeted about from Circuit to Federal Court for many months, and the verdict is one of the biggest verdicts returned in some years.

Denver Entertains.

It is estimated that Denver, Col., will be called upon to entertain between 20,000 and 30,000 people on the occasion of the seventh international convention of the Epworth League, which is to be held in the Queen City of the Plains, July 5-9, 1905. Extensive preparations are being made for the comfort and enjoyment of the guests.

Left One Quart.

Some unknown thief broke into a box car within the railroad yards at this place Monday night and stole eleven quarts of whisky leaving one in the box. It is supposed the eleven was all he could carry.

Salt Lake City has planned an extension of its water supply that will cost \$1,000,000 and make the supply ample for a city of 750,000 individuals.

## MOVEMENT TO TAKE KENTUCKY JUDICIARY OUT OF POLITICS

Louisville Bar Association Considering New York System of Nomination.

JUDGES NOMINATED BY ALL PARTIES.

At the regular meeting of the Louisville Bar Association yesterday Henry Burnett delivered an address upon the subject, "How the Election of Judges May Be Taken Out of Politics." He was heard with much interest throughout, and the ideas advanced by him brought on a general and lively discussion. Mr. Burnett was a strong advocate of the system which prevails in New York, where the law permits both political parties to nominate the same man as a candidate for Judge. He advised that Judges should receive the indorsements of all political parties so long as they showed themselves capable and honest officials.

As a result of his suggestions, a resolution prevailed instructing the Committee on Judiciary and Legal Reform to report a bill at the next regular meeting of the association which would provide that Judges could receive the nomination of all political parties. Under the present statute, this is not allowed. When reported, the law will be discussed, and it is believed that some steps will be discussed, and it is believed that some steps will be taken toward putting the question before the State Bar Association at its meeting next summer. Should that body approve of the measure, then the question will be presented to the next regular meeting of the Legislature.

LONG SESSION

Of Legislature at Frankfort Probable.—Opinion Expressed That Forty or Sixty Days Session Will Be Held.

The prospects for a short session of the Legislature were considerably clouded by the developments of Tuesday at the Capital. It became apparent that there was to be a policy of obstruction in certain quarters, and the opinion was freely expressed that a forty day session might be expected, with a possibility that it would extend to the legal limit of sixty days. Some of the members purpose that the old question of removal of the Capitol to another city shall be fought over. A resolution bringing it up was presented in the Senate, but after a lively debate was ruled out of order. A bill was introduced in the House leaving the selection of the site to the Capitol Commission. During the session of the House Attorney General Hays appeared before it. In his speech he took the occasion to criticize the Capitol Commission in several particulars.

COURT NOTES.

Compromised. The Ellington Case.

In the case of Carl Ellington, killed here last Spring by an L. & N. train, a compromise of \$1,000.00 was agreed upon.

In the case of Virgil Fox vs the L. & N. an agreed judgment of \$25.00 was allowed.

Lawrence Bishop, who was run over by an L. & N. hand car on the Providence Branch, was given judgment for \$841.00.

Long faces are wrong faces. □

BLOODY FIGHT.

Robert Hale Badly Cut by Charlie Wyatt While at a Dance at Hecla Saturday Night.

While at a dance given at Hecla Saturday night Robert Hale, of this place, became involved in an altercation with Charlie Wyatt and had the misfortune to be badly cut about the face and neck. It seems that the trouble arose over a trivial matter. When the first figure of the dance was over the Wyatt boy passed the hat to those who had tripped the light fantastic for coin of the realm to liquidate for the same. Bob Hale in a spirit of fun dropped in a penny. Wyatt handed the penny back to him making some remark and told him to come across with the right kind of money. Bob still bent on having some fun dropped a bread check in the hat, whereupon Wyatt who could not see the humorous side of the question, struck him over the head with a poker. In the general mixup that followed it was impossible to tell just what did happen but the consensus of opinion is that Hale received serious cuts about the face and neck at the hands of Wyatt.

As soon as possible the wounded man was brought to the St. Bernard hospital where his wounds were dressed by Dr. Sisk. He was then removed to his home and at last accounts was getting along nicely. It is thought that Wyatt has left for parts unknown. There are other statements however, that conflict with the above. Some of Wyatt's friends claiming he acted in self defense.

Dispatcher Logsdon Dead.

Paducah, Ky., Jan. 12.—H. B. Logsdon, a train dispatcher for the Illinois Central, died here today from heart disease. He was forty years old and had been ill for a week. He is a brother of Superintendent Jno. W. Logsdon of the Henderson and St. Louis divisions of the Louisville & Nashville R. R.

Traction Company Loses Out.

Supreme court at Washington decides in favor of Federal court and against County court.

That there will be no electric or other traction line between Earlinton, Madisonville and Nortonville is now a settled fact. The Supreme court at Washington has so decided in a vote of five to one in favor of the Federal court as against the County court.

Prominent Minister of Christian Church Recalled to Nashville.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 16.—The Rev. R. Lin Cave, one of the Christian church's foremost divines, has been called to the pastorate of the Woodland-street Christian church here. He is at present pastor of the West-end Christian church, Atlanta.

Paducah Chinaman Dies.

Paducah, Ky., Jan. 16.—The first Chinaman who ever died in Paducah was Sin Ling, who was found dead in his laundry here last night. He was forty-five years old, and was born at Hong Kong, where the remains will be shipped. He had lived here many years, and was worth about \$1,200, in addition to owning part of the business. Heart disease was the cause of death.

The Russian minister of finance has raised the question of the creation of chambers of commerce.

The Illinois legislature has decided that the city of Chicago is responsible for damages resulting from fireworks in its city.